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LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS.
 Voluntary Hose Company, meets first Friday night of each month in Hose House.

PERIL MADE THEM FRIENDS.

The Wild Beasts Herded Together to Escape a Forest Fire.

An incident of forest fires in the hills of the Descanso neighborhood, in southern California, illustrates the comradeship that comes to pass between animals when they are driven to the same refuge. After the flames had completed their work of destruction and spread a pall over the hills a rancher went forth among the charred stumps and smoking brushheaps to look for a number of cattle and calves which he feared had been hemmed in by the fire. He went across gulches and ridges in his search, until at last he saw his stock some little distance ahead.

It was more than astonished upon coming up to the group to find not only his cattle and colts, but a deer, three wildcats, a coyote and several rabbits, all alive and apparently in no fear of him. They watched his approach with indifference, the timidity gone from the big eyes, deer, no more, nor the wildcat's purr and honesty shining in the gray coyote's face. The rabbits sat on their haunches as meek as the pets of children. But the poor coyote was in pain, and as the farmer came close the animal uttered a cry, and then dragged his helpless hind quarters toward the man in mute supplication. The legs of the animal had been frightfully burned.

MONKEY AND BOY.

They Were Equally Concerned in the Jail Delivery.

In the picturesque little town of Lawrenceburg, Ind., there used to be an old stone building that was used as a jail. It could tell many a strange story of the persons it deprived of liberty, but could it tell the story of a monkey and a boy who were equally concerned in the jail delivery?

Speechless With Rage.

"Strong emotion," says Darwin, "interrupts the steady flow of nerve force to the muscles." This prevents the proper working of those muscles which are used in speaking; hence the stammering and incoherence of the speech. "The voice sticks in the throat," to use the words of Virgil. In some cases speech is for a short time impossible, as is seen where a person is said to be "speechless with rage." The hoarseness of the voice is due partly to the fact that passion causes an overaction of all the organs, partly by the fact that for generations harsh and fierce sounds have been made use of to terrify opponents in quarrels, and so have come to be associated instinctively with anger. Possibly the fact also lies in the influence that the utterance of sounds such as those referred to is in some way or other a relief to the feelings.

Yellow New York.

We know of no city in all this land, not excepting Hoboken or Jersey City, which is less national in its feelings, its ideas and its aspirations than New York. It has never yet done anything really national. There was not public spirit enough in the well to do classes of the town to even build the pedestal of the Liberty statue. The same classes waited years and went begging all over the country to raise a fund for the Grant monument—a duty which, in 1885, they claimed as their peculiar privilege. But New York is New York. There is none like it, nor shall be till our numbers have decreased. It is yellow and it is continually doing back—Washington Post.

Trying to Fix a Limit.

Mrs. Gougeon—How old do you take Mr. Maxwell to be?
 Mrs. Nix—From his general behavior I should estimate his age to be about 150. When a woman looks at him now, he doesn't think she's in love with him. Chicago Tribune.

We exaggerate misfortune and happiness alike. We are never either so wretched or so happy as we say we are. —Balzac.

Theatrical companies in Mexico have to pay a fine if they do not produce the pieces announced.

The Discovery of an Artist.

In the Cathedral of Nantes, France, there is a monument to Francis II of Bretagne and his wife Margaret which is considered one of the masterpieces of French sculpture. It is over 800 years old, and until twenty odd years ago no one knew to whom to ascribe it. Then by chance an old stone slab was discovered in the same cathedral bearing the following inscription:

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A Sort of Sherlock Holmes.
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Theaters in New Zealand.

A New Zealand correspondent of the Baltimore Sun writes:
 "The first floor of their theaters is flat, supplied with the painted wooden benches, with open backs. The balcony, the fashionable place, contains only cheaply upholstered benches, and is badly ventilated. Early door tickets at 12½ cents extra are sold, admitting the holder an hour before the regular doors open, that he may obtain first choice of the unpainted benches. Five minutes before the orchestra appears a big bell, suspended in the theater, is violently rung, making all but the deaf jump. Then all knowing ones understand that order is wanted—the stranger probably thinks it a fire alarm bell."

Lamb's For Spanish Children.

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How Buck Beer Got Its Name.

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 "What do you know?" asked the young woman.
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